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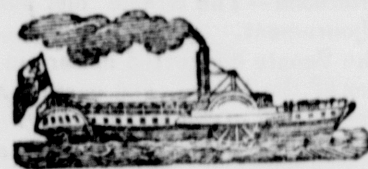
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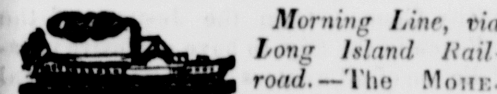
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WM. COMSTOCK, Agent. Nov. 16.

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IN Store 300 Bundles of prime quality. Enquire of J. S. MUNRO,

R. I. U. Bank Building. Newport, Nov. 16, 1844.—3m.

POETRY.

For the Newport Mercury.

On unexpectedly seeing a Lock of Hair, once belonging to an infant Nephew.

O take this little lock away,
Soft lock of shining hair;
My spirits, which are sad to day
Will live in pity spare.
They know not, for I spake no word,
How deep was the impression;
But in my heart strong feelings stir'd
And rose in quick succession.

O! take this silken lock away,
Of slightly curling hair;
I see it as it were this day,
Float o'er his forehead fair.
I loved the darling blue-eyed boy
As he had been my own;
And thoughts of him doth oft employ
My moments when alone.

I plainly see this zephyr lock,
Wave o'er his temples now;
He was the youngling of the flock
Of fair expansive brow.
I see his little joyous face,
As it was wont to be;
Which floating time will not erase,
While memory dwells with me.

And why did Death so sweet a flower
Cut down in early day?
We sorrow'd then, now bless the power,
Which bore the lamb away.
For darkness clouds began to rise,
Which man could not foresee;
His days were bright with joyous skies
Which ever could not be.

We know not what he might have been,
Had length of days been given;
But now we bless the moment when,
His spirit rose to Heaven.
We know not what he might have prov'd
When parted from the shore;
But now we know the babe we loved
Is blest'd forever more.

Then take this little lock away,
Which now I would not see;
And bring it on some happy day,
If that e'er come to me.
Or bring it at the closing scene
If happy that be blest;
When little space may be between
Me and eternal rest.

For all that fond affection would
Bind to its heart forever;
And value as ambrosial food,
Some ev'ning Fate will sever.
Yet be it so—it must be best,
If 'tis Thy holy Will;
Hush all my restless thoughts to rest,
And bid my soul go still.

As mountain snow, or paper fair,
His pure and guileless heart;
But pleasures might now be there,
Had death withheld his dart.
O then in sorrow's trying day,
'Tis best for every one;
Whatever their trouble be—to say,
Thy Will—not mine, be done.

A Chronological Account

of all material Occurrences from the first settlement of RHODE ISLAND.

1781.

At the Annual Election holden at Newport on the first Wednesday of May, the following persons were elected officers:

William Greene, Governor.
Jabez Bowen, Deputy Governor.

Assistants.

John I. Clarke, John Northup,
Jonathan Arnold, Enoch Hazard,
Thomas Wells, John Sayles,
Gideon Mumford, Chris. Ellery,
John Cooke, Daniel Owen,

Henry Ward, Secretary.

Wm. Channing, Attorney General.

Joseph Clarke, Treasurer.

DELEGATES TO CONGRESS.

William Ellery, Daniel Mowry,
Ezekiel Cornell, James M. Varnum,

Events of the Year.

By the death of Admiral de Turnay, the command of the French Fleet devolved on the Chevalier Destouches. A British Fleet under Admiral Abuthnot observed the French fleet, they rendezvoused at Gardner's Island, keeping a few ships constantly on the look out off the harbor of Newport.

On the 3d of January evening an elegant ball was given by the officers of the Regiment of Royal Deux Ponts to the Ladies of Newport.

Major Gen. Lincoln, Brig. Gen. Knox, Col. Laurens, and several other officers arrived at Newport on a visit to the French Army.

The French ship Le Eveille of 64 guns and the Frigates Le Gentille and Sarveillant returned to Newport on the 27th of Feb. from a cruise bringing with them the British Frigate Romulus of 44 guns which they had captured.

ARRIVAL OF GENERAL WASHINGTON.

On the 6th of March, Gen. Washington arrived at Newport, on a visit to Gen. Rochambeau, he was received at the Ferry on Conanicut, by the barge of the French Admiral and conducted on board his Ship, where he was met by Gen. Rochambeau and the other officers of the Army and Fleet; on leaving a salute was fired from the Admiral's ship and on landing on the Long Wharf the whole of the French garrison were under arms and formed two lines, through which he was escorted to the Headquarters of Gen. Rochambeau in Clarke street, receiving the same honors as would have been paid to a Marshal of France.

In the evening the town, and Fleet in the Harbor, were beautifully illuminated. The next day he was waited upon by a Committee from the Citizens who presented him with a complimentary address, to which he made an appropriate reply.

On the 13th of March, Gen. Washington and Maj. Gen. Howe, who had accompanied him, with their respective suits set off on their return to Headquarters, viz Bristol, Warren and Providence, on which occasion the French Army were paraded in Broad street and lined the road for some distance beyond the town, with the General officers in the centre; the American Commander in passing the line received all possible honors, on passing Tommy Hill a salute of 13 guns were fired by the French Artillery.

The French fleet under the command of the Chevalier Destouches, sailed from Newport on the 6th of March, having on board a detachment of the Army under the command of the Count de Viomini, after being at sea for several days, they were overtaken by the British fleet under Admiral Abuthnot, when an engagement ensued which lasted several hours, when they separated without any decisive result. The French returned to Newport to repair damages.

On the 13th of April a boat belonging to the French Frigate Hermoine accidentally sunk in the Harbor of Newport, by which eleven men were unfortunately drowned.

Congress presented a vote of thanks to Count de Rochambeau and Admiral Destouches to which they returned appropriate replies.

The Privateer Ship Mifflin, Capt. Babcock, belonging to Rhode Island, after a successful cruise, was captured with two of her prizes by the British and carried into Charleston, S. C.

Capt. Jacques a native of Newport, who had distinguished himself as the commander of the Privateer Brig Fair American of Philadelphia, was killed in an engagement with a British Privateer, which he captured.

Admiral de Barras arrived at Newport in May from France via Boston to take command of the French Fleet, he was accompanied by the Viscount Rochambeau, son of the General.

Death of Col. Greene and Maj. Flagg.—On the 14th of May, about day-break a body of the enemy consisting of 200 Infantry and 60 Horse of Delancy's Refugees corps, surprised a part of the Rhode Island Regiment that were quartered at a place called Pine Bridge on Croton River in the State of New York; they forded the River and coming down in the rear commenced the attack by firing into the Houses and cutting down the men before they could form; among the killed was the brave Col. Christopher Greene, who commanded the Regiment, and Major Ebenezer Flagg, (of Newport,) both of whom had been greatly distinguished by their gallant defence of Red Bank.

Col. Greene was cut to pieces and Major Flagg killed in his bed, about 50 rank and file were killed or wounded and several officers and men taken prisoners.

AN EXECUTION.

On the first of June, a sergeant of the French Artillery, was executed at the South part of Newport, in presence of the whole Army, who were drawn up in a

hollow square for the occasion. The criminal, on being brought to the place of execution, had his right hand cut off and burnt by the executioner, and he was then hanged. His crime was attempting to murder his officer; it appeared that in a fit of jealousy he had in the night, waylaid the captain of his company and after stabbing him repeatedly, had thrown him for dead into an old cellar; the officer was found the next morning, and afterwards recovered from his wounds.

The main body of the French Army, under Gen. Rochambeau, left Newport about the 27th of June for Providence.

On the 27th of June a ship of 50 guns, two Frigates and 14 Transports with troops from France arrived at Boston.

The command of the French troops left for the defence of Newport, devolved on Brig. Gen. de Choisy.

(To be Continued.)

Deferred Articles.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—On Monday morning, about eleven o'clock, a Mr. Brown, carpenter, at work on the Exchange Hotel, now building at the Eastern Railroad Depot, fell from the third story upon the floor below, and broke both of his legs. Mr. Brown was engaged in carrying a very heavy carpenter's horse across a plank about a foot wide, stretching over an abyss of full forty feet deep, when he was warned not to attempt, by those who were working with him; but he persisted, and when he got half way across, the horse tilted, his feet slipped, and he was precipitated to the floor beneath. Medical aid was promptly at hand, and when upon examination he was told that his limbs must probably be amputated, he bore the tidings with remarkable composure. He has a wife and boy, and is about 23 years of age. He was conveyed to the Hospital.—*Bos. American Eagle.*

THE DUEL.—Mr. Clingman and Mr. Yancy at last met at Beltsville, Maryland, about 12 miles from Washington, on the afternoon of Monday. The local officers undertook the arrest of Mr. Clingman, but failed from mistaking his identity, and he fled to the ground where the parties engaged, was exchanged by which neither party was injured, although the accounts go into some minute particulars, to convince us that each of the gentlemen "came very near" hitting his antagonist. The seconds then interfered, and it was agreed that honor had been satisfied, that no personal insult had been intended, and that the words used in debate, were to be construed "in a Pickwickian sense," and both parties returned to Washington safe and sound, and perfectly satisfied with their excursion.

Fire and Loss of Life.—On Sunday morning last, in the town of Walton, Mr. Seymour F. Benedict was awakened about one o'clock, from being suffocated with smoke. He rushed out of the house followed by his wife and a small child, when he discovered that the upper part of his house, where were five of his children, was in flames. The eldest of the children, a young girl aged 14 years, escaped from the window of her room, with her father's assistance, dreadfully burned.

Mrs. Benedict returned with the hope of saving her children; her little one followed her into the house, and had been in but a moment, when the roof fell in, the mother and five children, all of whom perished. The young girl that escaped from the window died on Sunday evening from the effects of her burns. Mr. Benedict is now totally deranged.—*Cincinnati Gaz.*

CAPT. KIDD.—The coffee-dam which has been built around the bulk at the foot of the Dunderberg mountains, is nearly completed, and it is expected the water will be pumped out about the 1st of February. A steam engine will be employed for the purpose, throwing out 36 barrels per minute. We shall then know what the vessel contains, if nothing more. From the structure of a gun recovered from her, it is certain that she is very old. About 45 men are now employed in the work.—*N. Y. Jour. of Commerce.*

Benjamin W. Waitt, Jr., was stabbed to the heart at New Orleans, evening of the 29th ult., by Dr Samuel Kennedy.—Kennedy had had some difficulty with Waitt, said to have grown out of the unfaithful conduct of the wife of Dawson, and her alleged criminal intercourse with Kennedy, on which account Dawson had been divorced from her. Kennedy went to the house and enquired for Dawson, who was not in, and applied certain derogatory expressions to the latter. Waitt, who came to the entrance, replied, some words arose, and Waitt was killed. Kennedy is in prison.

DEATH OF MR. HARDEN.—We are pained to announce the decease of Mr. William F. Harden, of the firm of Harden & Co. of this city, who died at his residence in Bedford street, this morning, of consumption, that insidious disease that carries off so many thousands of our citizens. Mr. Harden was remarkable for his enterprise. He was the father of the Express business, and it is to him that the world is indebted for the wonderful facilities enjoyed by all classes of the community. Peace to his ashes.

Boston Transcript.

The annual message of Governor Porter, to the Legislature of Pennsylvania, sets at rest the question as to the payment of the interest on the State Debt due on the first of February, and also in August next. Both will be paid in full in cash. A very full exhibit of the finances of the State is given in the message. The Governor congratulates the people in a strain of great exultation.

The estimate for the year ending Nov. 1, 1844, shows a balance of nearly half a million dollars, after paying both the February and August interests.

The packet ship Dorchester, of and for Boston from Liverpool, while lying during a gale on the 12th ult., was boarded from end to end by a tremendous sea, breaking as high as the tops, carrying away every spar in the ship, except the bowsprit, breaking down her starboard side 18 inches, and washing off the second officer and a seaman. The officers and crew, seventeen in number, together with 29 steerage passengers were taken off on the 15th, by the packet ship Rochester of New York, and arrived at that port on Saturday.

COUNTERFEITING.—A man by the name of Richard W. Houghton, belonging in Norway, well known in this section as a manufacturer of rifles, has been undergoing an examination for two or three days past, at Marshall's Tavern, Buxton, before Justices Miller and Chisholm, charged with having passed \$85 in \$5 counterfeit Cumberland Bank bills.—Houghton has a son who has lately been discharged from the State Prison, where he has been confined for counterfeiting.

Portland Argus.

COPPER.—The ore brought to New-York from Nevadas, brings the first cargo of ore, for smelting in the United States, at an experimental furnace in Brooklyn. The ore is said to be quite pure.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On the 7th instant, Willet Cornell of Henrietta, came to his death in a most shocking manner. He was driving horses attached to a threshing machine, and fell into the machinery, and was so injured as to cause his death in about an hour. He was about 74 years of age.—*Rochester Daily Advertiser.*

The contribution in aid of those volunteers and citizens who suffered during the recent riots in Philadelphia, in their efforts to preserve law and order, and put a stop to riot and outrage, amounted to the very handsome sum of \$10,904 62. The sum has been divided among the families of sufferers in accordance with the recommendation of a sub committee, the members of which investigated each particular case, in order to see that no unworthy persons obtained relief. In some instances the benefit to be derived from this fund, was declined by those officers and soldiers who were fully entitled to receive it. In others, it was not applied for where pecuniary aid was not needed, or when the injury received was so slight as not to cause any serious inconvenience or loss.

The wife of Mr. P. A. Trudeau, carpenter, No. 59 Canal street, Albany, had a fine boy on the 6th instant. This is the twenty-second child. Fifteen were born in Montreal, Canada, and seven in the United States. Wonderful multiplication.

A desperate Case.—A letter from Toulon states that three Arabians, condemned to death, were ordered to be executed at Tenyat-el-Had. On arriving at the bivouac, the culprits placed themselves close to a fire, and apparently prayed with great fervor. But instead of praying, they were secretly occupied in filing their chains, which they did with a most extraordinary agility. They then begged from one of the gendarmes some fire to light their pipes, and whilst the gendarme was stooping to light a match, one of them seized him by the waist, threw him into the fire, and the whole of them escaped.

Black Tongue.—This dreadful disease is raging with fearful violence in Gibson county, Indiana. A great number of deaths have occurred, and in some cases have proved fatal in four or five days.

Select Tales

From the Ladies' National Magazine.

ONLY A TRIFLE.

BY EMILY N. MAY.

'It's only a trifle, uncle,' said Harry Stuyvesant to his guardian. 'Miss Boyd may be as you say, careless; but it is only a trifle, and outweighed by her beauty and brilliant talents.'

'You may live to think differently, Harry,' said the old gentleman. 'I have seen thrice your years, and depend upon it, the happiness of a married life, is on the little things rather than the great ones. You can't all the time be thinking of your wife's beauty, but will sometimes recur to the comforts you once enjoyed in a tidy house, and, before a year has gone over your head, you will be willing to sacrifice her brilliant talents for an amiable disposition. Give me a woman who has the tact to perceive and gratify one's little peculiarities of taste or habit—who knows when to have the slippers warmed, how much to cook the joint of meat, in what way to do up one's linen, and to attend to all these other little, every day comforts. You may despise trifles now, but they have more to do with the happiness of a married life than anything else.'

Harry kept silent for a moment, looking at the key of the watch, which he kept whirling; for he felt that his uncle was eyeing him keenly. At length he spoke.

'But, granting what you say—how do you know that Ellen Boyd will not attend to these trifles? Cannot a woman of genius make a kind and considerate wife.'

'Certainly—a few may.'

'Then,' interrupted Harry exultingly, 'that is giving up your case. I'll run the risk; she'll be one of the few—and who wouldn't rather have a beauty and a bel esprit than a mere humdrum,' and with these words he bowed himself out of his uncle's office.

The old gentleman shook his head sadly, as he gazed at the young man.

'It is no use arguing with him, I see,' he said to himself—'the boy's crazy with love, and is determined to throw himself away. I can only give him advice, and try the experiment.' As he mused, he bed, so he must lie? And with the homely proverb, the old gentleman turned to his desk and resumed the examination of his papers.

Ellen Boyd was a beauty and a wit; but her temper was high, and she was both by nature and education selfish.—The gratification of her pleasure was all she cared for, and to this she managed to make everything and everybody subservient. Her splendid face a figure, united to her really brilliant powers of conversation, made her a favorite in every circle in which she moved, and procured her constant admirers, who fed her self love with flattery. At home she was considered the prodigy of the family, and in consequence had been spoiled from her childhood. Her plainer sisters had learned to sacrifice a portion of their own wardrobes to render that of their sister more splendid; and often they, as well as their mother, labored all day to adjust the dress that Ellen was to wear at the ball in the evening, for the family were not wealthy, and even had some difficulty, rumor said, to make ends meet at the end of the year. While her sisters were thus occupied, the proud beauty was usually lying on a sofa reading the last novel, or, perhaps, ill humoredly finding fault with them for not performing their task more to her taste. But all these things were borne meekly, for Ellen was expected to make a grand alliance, and besides, despite her many faults, her mother and sisters doted on her.

Her most successful lover was Harry Stuyvesant, and he was wealthy, and moreover of one of the best families in the State; people said it would be a match. His uncle more than once, expostulated with him, but these arguments generally added as the one we have recorded, and finally it became publicly known that Harry was to be married early in the Autumn.

Harry took his young wife to a handsome house in the city, where he intended hereafter to reside during the winter; and for a while no man was more happy. The beauty of his bride was the theme of praise in every assembly where she appeared; he saw himself in the possession of such a treasure; he was almost bewildered with gratified pride, at his own table, too, the most celebrated men of the country were proud to gather, for the grace and dignity with which Mrs. Stuyvesant presided, and the brilliancy of her conversation, was extolled by all. For two months Harry was at the pinnacle of bliss.

But he soon began to find the cup was mixed with other ingredients than those

of happiness. If to see his wife shone to company afforded him such pleasure, it was, alas! the only gratification her society afforded him, for at home she was always tired and silent, and even grew pettish when he sought conversation.

About three months after their marriage Harry returned home one wet evening, tired and exhausted by a day of unusually laborious business. With a sense of relief he deposited his wet umbrella in the rack and opened the drawing room door. But instead of the cheerful fire he hoped to find there, all was cold and comfortless. He then went up stairs to his wife's sitting-room; but she was not there. A little annoyed at finding her out, he rang the bell for a servant; but he had to repeat the summons before any one appeared.—At last the cook entered.

'Where is Mrs. Stuyvesant?' 'Gone out,' was the reply. 'She has been out all day.'

'Humph! Are you the only servant about?'

'Yes, sir.' The rest have all gone out too—they didn't expect you back so soon.'

'Is't there any fire in the house?' said he, sharply checking himself in a severe admonition to the servants. 'There comes John,' said the cook, as the gate was heard shutting, 'he will soon make up the fire, sir, and miseries will be home by 'n by.'

In no very good humor Harry had to walk up and down the hall until a fire was made, and even after that, quite half an hour elapsed before the carriage drove up with his wife. She came in, complaining of excessive fatigue, and with a fit of peevishness, for the milliner had disappointed her; and her husband spent one of the most unpleasant evenings of his life.

Another month passed on, and Harry's pleasure in witnessing the triumph of his wife's beauty continued to wear away beneath the thousand petty annoyances of home. He still, at times, loved her as passionately as ever, and often at an evening assembly, he would stand apart leaning against a pillar, contemplating like a young lover the effect produced by her transcendent loveliness. At other times he would hang a charmed listener, on the words with which she was enchanting a circle of dignified and renowned statesmen. But when he entered his home, all his happiness had vanished. His wife belonged to that class who seem to think that it is too much trouble to dress for a husband, and accordingly she met him at breakfast and dinner, unless when there was company, in an old slovenly dress, and a manner that was sure to be indifferent, even if it was not ill-humored; for as Ellen had married him for his wealth alone, and that was now assured to her, she no longer considered it worth her while to consult his comfort. In the same way she met every advance for an evening's quiet enjoyment when there was no ball or any other amusement, she usually took up a novel or slept on the sofa.

Sometimes Harry ventured to expostulate, but this only produced altercations, and he was wise enough to give it up. Scenes like that which we have recorded, when he would return home and find every thing comfortable, servants negligent because the mistress of the house was careless, became too frequent. Harry, at length did what hundreds of husbands have done before, in like circumstances—he sought abroad for that comfort he could not find at home.

There is not now a more unhappy couple than Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant.—She still shines in public the admired of all observers, but her beauty is already fading, a victim to her ill-temper, and it is rumored that her husband's fortune begins to feel the result of his gambling life, and that daily scenes occur between the two, in consequence of his refusal to supply her extravagance as before.

'I feared it would be so,' said Harry's uncle, 'and I said, from the beginning that Ellen's selfishness would make her disregard his comfort. Ah! my dear, it is because you have paid so much attention to the every day trifles of married life, that we have been so happy.'

Attempt at Highway Robbery.—On Wednesday evening, a gentleman going to Charleston, between 11 and 12 o'clock, when near the Circus in Haverhill street, was accosted by a man who inquired the way to Charleston Old Bridge; he directed him, and passed along. A few rods further on he met another man, who made the same inquiry, whom he likewise directed. When near the bridge he met them both; they crossed into Canal-street, and headed him at the corner of Causeway-street. One of them remarked, 'We have met you before, I believe, to-night; we want some money.' The gentleman answered the villain by a blow from a heavy cane; the other collapsed him, when he struck him in the face with the end of his stick, and finding himself clear, made the best of his way over the bridge.—Boston Post.

Human Skeletons.—The workmen on the Northampton railroad, found two human skeletons last week, on the island, formed by the old bed of the river.—They were about twelve feet below the surface. The skull, the large bones, and some of the bones of the fingers were in a good state of preservation. They are, undoubtedly, the skeletons of aborigines, who once traversed these now fertile meadows as their hunting grounds.

Northampton Gazette.

Twenty-Eighth Congress.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 15, 1845.

SENATE.—Mr Woodbury presented a memorial praying for a Breakwater at Marblehead. Several other petitions, on various subjects, were presented.

In reply to an inquiry from Mr Allen, whether any answer had been received from the President, to the resolutions inquired for information relative to the negotiation respecting the Oregon territory, Mr Archer said that he had reasons to believe "that the result of the negotiation in progress would be transmitted to the Senate in a few days."

Mr Evans, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill for the relief of the State of Michigan, and certain railroad companies therein.

The bill extending certain naval pensions five years was taken up and passed.

A bill to give revenue officers extra compensation, when detached for duty in the naval service, was taken up and debated, and finally rejected by a vote of 17 to 25.

A bill to ascertain certain claims for French spoils was passed by the request of Mr Choate, who gave notice that he would call it up again on Tuesday next.

The bill to give the assent of Congress to a legislative act of Virginia, concerning the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, was slightly amended and ordered to be engrossed.

The Senate then went into executive session, and so continued until they adjourned.

HOUSE.—Mr Burke, of New Hampshire, submitted another bill for the annexation of Texas. It provides that the people of Texas may agree upon a republican form of government, and shall be admitted to the Union as a State before the first of January next, and that as it increases in population, it shall be divided into other States not exceeding five in number. The reception of this proposition being objected to, the rules were suspended by a vote of 126 to 32, and the bill was received, read and referred to the committee of the whole.

The House then went into committee of the whole and proceeded with the debate on the Texas question.

THURSDAY, Jan. 16, 1845.

SENATE.—A communication from the Post Master General on the operation of the British Post Office system, and the effect of the reduced postage on the revenue, was received and ordered to be printed. Several other unimportant reports from executive departments were received and ordered to be printed.

Mr Choate, from the Library Committee, made an adverse report in relation to Elliot's Debates. Mr Tappan, from the Joint Library Committee, reported the bill to establish the Smithsonian Institution.

Mr Archer made an explanation in relation to the remarks which he had made on the preceding day relative to the negotiation on the Oregon boundary, in consequence of a mis-statement which had appeared in the Globe. He did not speak of the attempted negotiation, which would have implied that the negotiation had proved abortive. He merely said that a communication might be expected in time for the action of the Senate during the present session, and "nothing which could in any way intimate the character of the expected communication."

Several private bills were passed, and one giving the assent of Congress to an act of the Legislature of Virginia amending the act to incorporate the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.

The bill to provide a uniform time of holding the election of President and Vice President was taken up, slightly amended, ordered to be engrossed, and afterwards passed.

The Senate then, after a short executive session adjourned to Monday.

HOUSE.—Mr Preston King of New York moved a resolution proposing a Select Committee to inquire whether there had been a duel between two members of the House, on account of words spoken in debate on the floor of the House, with power to send for persons and papers, and if the statement reported be true, that they report a resolution for the expulsion of the members.

Mr Payne of Ala. moved to lay the resolution upon the table, and called for the yeas and nays. The vote was, yeas 79, noes 94.

A debate on this subject and several propositions were made, which were not sustained by the House. In the end the subject was laid on the table by a vote of 106 to 94.

Mr John Quincy Adams moved that the rules prescribing the order of business be suspended to afford him an opportunity of moving the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be communicated to this House any information possessed by this Government of the names and bounties of latitude and longitude of the territory of the Republic of Texas, within which the authority and jurisdiction of the said Republic is recognized by the inhabitants dwelling within the said latitude and longitude; and, also, copies of all the existing treaties of the Republic of Texas with Powers other than the United States.

The question to suspend the rules was decided in the affirmative.

Mr Adams then moved his resolution, when it was again read and adopted.

Mr John W. Davis, of Indiana, moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, by

which the House adopted the following resolution submitted by Mr Grinnell:

Resolved, That the Committee of Commerce be directed to report to this House the best mode of publishing and disposing of maps and charts of the surveys made by the late Exploring Expedition, and, also, for placing the plates on which said surveys have been engraved (under the direction of the Joint Library Committee) under the care of the Secretary of the Navy.

A debate followed, which we cannot now insert, and in which Messrs Davis, Holmes, Grinnell, Kennedy, of Maryland, Winthrop, Shenck, Burke, and Hale took part. The debate, being terminated by a resort to the previous question resulted in a vote yeas 60, nays 43, and another of yeas 64, nays 57, for the adoption; but no quorum having voted the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, Jan. 17, 1845.

HOUSE.—Mr Taylor, from the committee on Accounts, presented a report on the defalcation of Mr McNulty, Clerk of the House. It appeared that Mr McNulty had refused to appear at the investigations of the Committee; that the whole defalcations from the contingent fund amount to \$45,000; that the whole amount in Mr McNulty's hands has amounted to \$230,000; that \$20,000 is secured by his bonds, and that for the balance of the ascertained loss, \$25,000 there is no security. Mr Taylor, however, stated, that the government would sustain no loss by Mr McNulty, for his sureties were not only willing to pay the amount of their bonds, but to sustain any actual deficit. The report concluded with a resolution dismissing the Clerk.

Mr. Cave Johnson offered a resolution directing the Sergeant at Arms to arrest Mr McNulty and bring him before the House to answer the charges against him, and after a debate upon this resolution, was passed.

SATURDAY, Jan. 1, 1845.

HOUSE.—The subject of the Clerk's defalcation again came up for consideration. Mr McNulty did not make good his promises to settle up his accounts and produce the balance due from him. Mr Taylor, chairman of the committee, stated that the committee met at 10 o'clock that morning, when they expected to see Col. McNulty, in conformity with his promise, but he did not appear. His clerk came with some vouchers, but without any money. In reply to the inquiry where the money was, and whether it would be forthcoming, he answered that Mr. McNulty only could answer the question.

After the adjournment of the committee, the chairman received a letter from McNulty, stating that he had \$20,000 on deposit, in the Bank of America, but Mr Taylor stated that the committee had no evidence of this except the letter.—A letter had been received from Messrs. Suydam & Sage, of New York, in which they stated that in June last, McNulty had sent them a check for \$10,000, to be placed to the credit of E. I. Woodward, of Ohio, which had been paid on drafts drawn by McNulty.

Mr Taylor stated that, by law, the Clerk was bound to deposit the money in Banks in this city. If there were no Banks, he had no right to draw the money from the Treasury.

The resolution that C. J. McNulty be expelled from office as Clerk of the House was taken up.

Mr. Weller withdrew all objections to the resolution. He said he had in vain sought an interview with the Clerk. He had been deceived by him. He did not think however that ultimately the public would lose the money, but it was evident that the Clerk was not prepared to settle his accounts at present. The resolution for expulsion was then passed, yeas 196, nays none; also a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to take measures to secure the payment of the money, and one requesting the President to direct a criminal prosecution to be instituted against Mr. McNulty.

On motion of Mr Hopkins, the rule requiring the Clerk to be chosen by ballot, was dispensed with, and R. R. French was appointed Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Burt, the rule being suspended to authorize the reception of the motion, the Committee on the Judiciary was instructed to devise some law for the better security of the public money in the hands of the Clerk of the House.

The day being appropriated by rule to the consideration of private business, several bills were considered and matured. Among the bills debated was one for paying the passage of Lafayette, when he came to this country in 1824. It was finally agreed to report the bill to the House with a recommendation that it do not pass.

MONDAY, Jan. 20, 1845.

SENATE.—Mr Evans presented the credentials of his colleague, Gov. Fairfield, who had been elected to the United States Senate for six years from the 4th of March next.

Mr Benton presented the resolutions adopted by the Legislature of Missouri, on the subject of Texas. The resolutions were read at the clerk's desk, and Mr Benton made some remarks.

Mr Atchison took occasion to express his cordial concurrence in the resolutions, acknowledging in its fullest extent the right of instruction.

Mr Upham presented a memorial from a great number of the citizens of Vermont, protesting in the most solemn and earnest manner, against the annexation of Texas, in any form whatever, and Mr Choate presented a petition of like tenor, from Middlesex county, Massachusetts.

Mr Allen presented a petition, praying for the establishment of a territorial government in Oregon, and took occasion to praise the memorialist, with many of whom he had shaken hands.

The bill to pay to Massachusetts the balance due for disbursements in the last war, was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 27 to 17.

A bill was passed authorizing the Secretary of War to pay to Joshua Shaw \$25,000, as the inventor of Percussion caps for fire arms.

Mr Crittenden offered a resolution proposing, that Luigi Persico be engaged to make an Equestrian Statue in Bronze of General Washington.

The Senate took up the bill authorizing the Postmaster General, to make permanent contracts in certain cases, for the transportation of the mail with Railroad corporations, but after some discussion it was postponed for a fortnight, and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.—Mr McKay from the Committee of Ways and Means reported a bill making an appropriation for certain fortifications of the United States, for the next fiscal year. Read twice and ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

A resolution was offered calling on the Secretary of the Treasury, for the number and tonnage of vessels, cleared for foreign ports, at the principal cities on the seaboard, east and south, for a certain period. Also the amount of revenue collected, and the number of officers employed in the collection of the revenue. The resolutions were adopted.

Mr Cobb of Georgia, moved to suspend the rules, for the purpose of considering the resolution heretofore offered by him, fixing the hour of meeting of the House hereafter at 11 o'clock, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered, the rules were suspended, and the resolution adopted.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole, on the Texas question, and Mr Hammett of Mississippi, addressed the committee in favor of the measure of Annexation.

Mr Hudson of Massachusetts next got the floor, and made an able and eloquent speech against Annexation.

Mr Marsh of Vermont, followed on the same side, when

Mr Rhett of South Carolina got the floor, and the Committee rose, and the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, Jan. 21, 1845.

SENATE.—Petitions were presented for a reduction of postage; against the annexation of Texas; for pensions; for land claims; for change of public school lands, &c., and several private bills were reported.

Mr Berrien, from the Judiciary Committee, to which the subject had been assigned, reported a bill to extend the operation of the Judiciary Act of 1789, as far as relates to writs of habeas corpus, by authorizing the United States courts to hear and determine the same.

On motion of Mr Semple, the Judiciary Committee were requested to inquire as to the expediency of augmenting the salary of the U. S. District Attorney of Illinois.

The bill was taken up making appropriations for the continuation of the Cumberland or National Road as follows:—Through the State of Ohio, \$100,000 Through the State of Indiana, 150,000 Through the State of Illinois, 150,000

Total, \$400,000

The passage of the bill was suspended for to day on account of the thinness of the Senate.

The bill for paying to the State of Massachusetts an ascertained balance, (\$227,178 46,) for militia services in the last war, when upon its passage

Mr Hannegan called for the yeas and nays, and they were ordered, when, at the instance of

Mr Bates, the bill was passed by informally, for a more favorable day.

The bill prescribing and limiting the pay of pension agents, not to exceed 2 per cent. commission, or \$2,000 per annum, (as understood,) was passed. Also, the bill for the relief of Wm. E. Easton; the bill for the relief of Horace Smith—concurrence of the House required.

Mr Fairfield submitted a resolution for surrendering to the House of Representatives the old plates used in the engravings for the Senate.

Mr Huntington opposed the surrender. Mr Fairfield contended for it on the principle of economy. The engravings for the Senate for two years past had cost the enormous sum of \$50,000.—The House often re-printed the same maps. The use of the Senate plates would save the expense of new plates. With some further debate, the resolution was postponed.

On motion of Mr Tappan, the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill providing for the disposition of the late Mr Smithson's bequest of \$508,318 according to the will of the donor—in the establishment of a National Institution at Washington for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men.

The bill was read through in detail, when, on motion of Mr Tappan, several verbal amendments were made.

Some other amendments were agreed to, when further action upon the bill for the present was suspended.

The Senate went into Executive session a few minutes, and then adjourned.

HOUSE.—The House met this morning at 11 o'clock, agreeably to the resolution adopted yesterday, but there were only about fifty or sixty members present

at the conclusion of prayers by the Chaplain.

After the reading of the minutes, General Dromgoole introduced an amendment to his bill, providing for the annexation of Texas, for the reception of which he asked the general consent of the House; and, also, that it be printed in connection with the bill he had previously introduced.

C. J. Ingersoll.—The general consent of the House or of the members present? (There were only about eighty or a hundred present.)

No objections being made it was received, and ordered to be printed.

Mr R. B. Rhett, of S. C., having the floor, proceeded with his speech on the subject of Texas.

Linn Boyd, of Ky. who sent up to the Clerk's desk a resolution, which was read, providing that the debate on the joint resolutions for the annexation of Texas should cease on Saturday next at 2 o'clock, and the House proceed to vote on all such amendments as might then be pending. On this resolution he demanded the previous question.

The debate was continued by Messrs. Caldwell, of Ky. Giddings, of Ohio and Johnson, of Tenn.

Mr Rathbun of New York, next obtained the floor, and moved that the committee rise, and no quorum voting on a division, the committee rose, and the Speaker resumed his seat.

And the House adjourned.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The following account of the proceedings of the General Assembly, is in continuation from our last paper, it is condensed from the report of the Providence Journal.

FRIDAY, Jan. 10, 1845.

SENATE.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate passed sundry resolutions which were sent to the House for its action upon the same.

The Senate concurred in certain resolutions and acts of the House, already noticed in the proceedings thereof.

The Senate adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate took up the bill for the liberation of Thomas W. Dorr, and after some discussion, was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Anthony, Bailey, I. G. Bowen, J. Bowen, Carr, A. Church, Jr. N. Church, Davis, Durfee, Eaton, A. C. Greene, W. Greene, Howard, Irish, Manchester, Mowry, Phillips, Potter, Randall, Sands, Fillingham, Wood, Waite—23.

Nays—Messrs. Ballou, Brown, Steere—3.

His Excellency Governor Fenner was absent, and Lieut. Governor Diman was in his place.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock, on Saturday morning.

AFTERNOON.—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Concurrences from Senate in certain acts already noticed, in the proceedings of this House.

Certain petitions received and referred to the proper committees.

Mr. King called up the resolution of the Senate that the General Assembly will adjourn on Saturday next, and moved that the House concur.

Mr. Sherman hoped that the House would not concur.

The Speaker thought the House could not get through the business.

The House refused to concur in the resolution of the Senate.

Resolution of the Senate upon the petition of certain citizens of Providence, praying that the execution of John Gordon may be postponed, referring said petition to a select committee.

After considerable debate, the question was taken on concurring with the resolution of the Senate, and decided as follows:

Yeas—21. Nays—39.

So the House refused to concur, and adjourned to 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, Jan. 11, 1845.

SENATE.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Several acts and resolutions of the House were concurred in.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock Monday morning.

HOUSE.—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the School fund. This bill was read for the first time; and together with the act in amendment of an act regulating the manner of preferring petitions to the General Assembly, and the act in amendment of an act regulating fees, was ordered to be printed, and made the order of the day for next Tuesday.

Concurrences from the Senate in certain acts and resolutions of the House—among them, in the act upon the petition of Sullivan and Lydia Dorr, and the resolutions of the House upon the resolutions of the Legislature of New Hampshire, upon the trial and imprisonment of Thomas W. Dorr.

An act in amendment of an act authorizing own counsils to grant licenses to sell strong liquors: read and passed to a second reading, and ordered to be printed.

Petition of Betsey Rider, read and passed. Petition of Abel T. Browning relative to fisheries in South Kingstown—petitioner had leave to withdraw—a new petition upon the same subject matter being before the House.

The House refused to concur in the vote of the Senate that the General Assembly will adjourn this day.

An act authorizing and requiring the Supreme Court to appoint at their next term a reporter of their decisions: read second time and passed.

Petition of Mary B. Wilmarth, for change of name to Bowen, recommended by committee and passed. Her husband, Albert T. Wilmarth, was among the insurgents at Chippachet, and when Dorr disbanded his forces, he ran away with the rest of the troops, and has never returned to his family. The name of Bowen was the name she bore previous to her intermarriage with Wilmarth.

An act in amendment of an act to prevent hawking and peddling without license—read first time and passed to a second reading.

The House adjourned to meet on Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, Jan. 20, 1845.

SENATE.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Upon the resolution of the House appointing commissioners to meet commissioners on the part of Massachusetts, to settle the boundary line between the two States, concurred.

The Senate adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning.

HOUSE.—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The petition of Sullivan Dorr, received and referred to committee on the Judiciary.

The petition sets forth that Thomas W. Dorr will not deem it compatible with his sense of honor and duty to accept of his liberation upon the terms imposed by the recent act of the General Assembly, and that his imprisonment therefore will probably only terminate with his life; that he is suffering from complaints which are much aggravated by the confinement, discipline and fare of the Prison. The petitioner therefore asks the General Assembly to grant him permission to make occasional visits to his son, and that Doctor Usher Parsons, who has for twenty years been the physician of T. W. Dorr, and is well acquainted with his constitution, and the diseases from which he suffers, may also have leave to visit him.

An act for the establishment of a Court of Magistrates in the city of Providence, passed to a second reading, after considerable debate. The House then adjourned to Tuesday morning, 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, Jan. 21, 1845.

Nothing important was done in the Senate, except to concur in certain votes and resolutions of the House.

HOUSE.—The act in amendment of an act in relation to hawking and peddling without license, after a short discussion, was passed. The act as passed, provides that for a license to sell jewelry \$200 shall be paid, for a license to sell all other articles except wooden and tin ware \$125; for licenses to sell tin and wooden ware \$75; and authorizes the General Treasurer to authorize the transfer of a pedler's license, at his discretion.

The License Law for the sale of ardent spirits was read, and a debate ensued on its provisions, which lasted until the hour of adjournment, without effecting any thing. A motion was made for its postponement which was not decided when the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.—Sundry acts and petitions were presented and disposed of, mostly of a private nature.

An act authorizing the towns of Newport and Middletown to establish dividing lines, passed.

Messrs. Cranston, Lawton and Clarke, were appointed a committee to paint the State House in Newport.

The License law was again called up, and the question being upon the postponement of the bill, after considerable debate, the yeas and noes were called, and the act was postponed to the next session. Yeas 29, nays 37.

The House adjourned to Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22, 1845.

SENATE.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

There being no business upon the table, The Senate adjourned to 3 o'clock, p. m.

AFTERNOON.—The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate concurred in certain resolutions of the House, and passed an act in amendment of the election law.

The Senate adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

HOUSE.—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Petition of certain citizens for amendment of the license law, so that Town Councils cannot grant licenses for a longer time than their own term of office; read and laid upon the table.

Petition of Providence Horse Guards; received and referred to the committee on militia.

Report of the committee on the old State Debt.

The committee recommended that the petition be continued, and that Lemuel H. Arnold be added to the committee, and that Dr. Richmond, the agent of the petitioners, have a hearing before the House.

The act to establish a court of Magistrates in the city of Providence, was read.

The act provides for a court to consist of seven magistrates, to be elected by the City Council from the Justices of the Peace in the city, to have exclusive jurisdiction of all matters civil and criminal now within the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

Report of the commissioners of the Seignior Bank received, and communicated to the Senate.

Mr Sheldon, from the committee on survey of soft pine lumber, reported a bill.

It was read a second time and passed. Certain accounts were allowed, and ordered to be paid.

Petition of Coomer Hale, et al. to be set off from Bristol to the town of Warren, recommended by the committee that the prayer of the petition be granted; and inasmuch as the town of Bristol are opposed to the petition, the committee recommended that the parties have a hearing before the House.

Mr Bosworth explained the reasons

by the committee had thus reported, and hoped the House would hear the parties.

The petition was continued to the next session, with an order of notice.

The petition of Pawtucket Artillery Company, for payment of military tax, was called up.

The prayer of the petition was granted, and the balance of the military tax in the treasury was ordered to be divided among the members of the Company.

Resolution from the Senate communicating the resignation of A. C. Greene as one of the Commissioners on the boundary line between this State and Massachusetts, and the appointment of R. K. Randolph in his place—concurrent.

An act in amendment of the election law, communicated from the Senate—read first time and passed to a second reading—referred to committee on Judiciary.

Certain concurrences from the Senate in resolutions of the House.

The act in amendment of an act directing the manner of preferring petitions to the General Assembly.

The act imposing additional fees upon all petitions.

After some discussion upon the bill the House adjourned to 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, Jan. 23, 1845.

Committee on the accounts of the Quarter Master General, made a report, which was read and accepted, and a resolve passed discharging the said Quarter Master General from all liabilities to the State, excepting the balance of his account, amounting to about \$18.60.

The House voted to adjourn at 11 o'clock, to witness an exhibition of the Deaf and Dumb scholars of the Hartford Asylum, the exhibition to be in this House.

It was voted to add Lemuel H. Arnold to the committee of the House on the old State Debt.

Some debate arose on a motion to permit the counsel of the claimants against the State to address the House at half past ten o'clock, in favor of their claims.

The motion was lost.

Resolve fixing upon Saturday next as the day of adjournment, was passed.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill directing the method of preferring petitions to the General Assembly.

The bill was read by sections, amended, and passed.

At 11 o'clock, the House adjourned, to witness the exhibition of the Deaf and Dumb from Hartford.

Afternoon—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Branch moved that the House reconsider the vote upon the act in amendment of the militia law.

Mr. Peckham, of South Kingstown, moved to lay the subject on the table.

The motion was laid upon the table, 27 to 20.

The amendment provided that any soldier who did military duty on one of the days of brigade and regimental reviews, and on three other days, should be entitled to pay.

Certain petitions received and referred to the proper committees.

An act in relation to auctioneers—read first time and passed to a second reading.

Mr. Uppike, from the committee on corporations, reported upon the petition of Duty Greene et al., that the committee had so far considered the subject as to find that if the petitioners had any remedy it was in a court of law, and recommended that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was received.

This was the petition complaining of certain proceedings of the vestrymen of Grace Church, and praying for relief.

An act to provide for the payment of the interest due from the State to the school fund was taken up.

The act provides for a tax of one half of one per cent upon deceased persons' estates and trust estates in the custody of the Courts of Probate.

The first section provides that estates not exceeding \$500 shall be exempted from such tax.

Mr. Whipple moved to exempt all estates not exceeding \$1000.

Duty Greene et al., had leave to withdraw their petition.

Mr. Potter moved to recede from the vote postponing the licence law—he did so in obedience to the will of his constituents.

Mr. Cranston opposed the motion.

Mr. Uppike was in favor of the motion, but he would like to hear a good reason for it.

Mr. Whipple advocated the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:—Ayes 29, Nays 25.

The bill was recommitted to the committee.

Certain petition were received and referred to the proper committees.

The House adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Friday morning.

Grasshoppers.—Capt. Hager, of the bark Marcella, brought home a preserved grasshopper, of the size of a man's thumb, as a sample of an immense field through which he sailed for five days. He fell in with the field off the Western Islands, and the presumption was, that they were blown off from Africa. The water was heavily crusted with them; the grasshoppers filling the surface to the depth of some inches, and extending in the course of the bark for four hundred miles. Such an army must be worse than the Goths and Vandals to contend with. They would eat up every green thing for a breakfast, and change the most fruitful fields to a desolation in one day.—N. Y. Journal of Commerce.

THE NEWPORT MERCURY. Newport.

SATURDAY, JAN. 25, 1845.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this State, it will be seen by the report of their proceedings were to adjourn this morning, after a session of three weeks.

A woman who lived in the family of Randall Angell, in Burrillville, was killed last week in the following singular manner.—She was picking up chips, when a large ram, attracted by her black cap, ran against her head and butted her so violently that she died in a few minutes.

IT We are indebted to Mr. Blanchard, of the steamer Neptune, for New York and Providence papers.

Gov. SHUNK was inaugurated at Harrisburg on Monday last. In his inaugural speech, he declared that the credit of the State must be preserved; but did not express any opinion as to the question of the immediate ability of the Treasury to meet its engagements.

FIRE IN EAST GREENWICH.—A fire broke out on Monday morning in one of the store houses in East Greenwich, belonging to Pearce, Salisbury & Co., which destroyed the building and nearly all its contents.—About fifty tons of hay and thirty bales of cotton were lost. Two hundred barrels of flour were saved. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained.

Mrs. Martha Dickens was killed in South Kingstown, on the 12th inst. by being run over by a heavily loaded wagon.

We understand that the Rev. THOMAS LEAVER has declined being a candidate for the Pastoral office over the 2d Baptist Church and Society in this town, after the present term for which he is engaged, which expires on the first of March next.

A MAMMOTH OX.—One of the finest animals of this class ever seen in this country, is now exhibiting in New York. It is seven years old, and said to be the largest in the world, weighing nearly five thousand pounds; measuring twelve feet from his horns to his tail; and in girth near upon twenty feet. Its color is almost entirely white with the exception of a few black spots about the neck and shoulders. This noble animal was raised by E. H. Smith Esq., of Smithtown, L. I.

MARYLAND.—Hon. John Stevenson has been appointed by the Legislature of Maryland Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals, and they have rejected the nominations by the late Governor, of Mr. B. Stone in the 1st, and Samuel M. Semmes as Judge in the 5th Judicial district.

Free blacks and Mulattoes of Maryland who leave the State are prohibited from returning, under severe penalties, after thirty days absence, by a law which has just been enacted.

FIVE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.—The packet ship Oxford arrived at New York on Monday, bringing Liverpool papers and dates to the 18th December, and London papers up to the previous day.

The news has very little interest.—The markets remain without material alteration. Cotton was very firm at the prices before reported.

The English papers contain notices of the extreme cold of the season, which exceeds anything known there for many years.

The steamer Great Britain had been released from confinement and made a trial trip.

The marriage of Queen Isabella II. with the Count of Trapani is finally determined on.

Pargation of the Episcopal Theological Seminary.—The examination of the Students of the Seminary relative to the charges alleged against certain members, of entertaining views of a decided Roman tendency, resulted in the dismissal of two of their number, Messrs. Donally of N. York, and Watson of Delaware; and in the reprimand of Mr. Henry McVickar. Mr. Taylor of Connecticut, likewise inculpated, has not yet received his sentence.

Previously to this movement on the part of the authorities of the Seminary, it was rumored that some individuals in the institution were in constant intercourse and correspondence with the Roman Catholic Priests, with whom they assimilated in all essential point of doctrinal belief; and that after finishing their course of study, they had resolved to manifest their faith, by entering the priesthood of the Roman Church.—Whether, or to what extent, the recent trial established these charges, we are not informed.—N. Y. Jour. of Com.

Some thirteen free men of color, who came here on board of vessels from the free States of the Union, were yesterday placed in confinement by the Second Municipality police, in pursuance of the act forbidding free persons of color to come within the limits of the States. Such an impudent interference with our internal laws as that of which Massachusetts had been guilty but tends to increased vigilance on the part of our police in these matters.—N. O. Picayune.

94 DAYS LATER FROM CHINA.

The ship Paul Jones, Capt. Watkins, 111 days from Canton, has arrived at New York, with Hong Kong journals to the 24th September inclusive. Among the passengers in the Paul Jones, are Fletcher Webster and J. H. O'Donnell, of the American embassy to China.

The treaty concluded in July last by Mr. Cushing, at Macao, with Keling, the imperial commissioner, has been ratified by the Emperor, and went into effect Sept. 25th at Canton.

In Canton the hatred to foreigners seems to continue unabated. A letter dated Sept. 18th states that on that morning a chop was sent in by the mob, threatening they would destroy the whole of the factories should the English attempt to rebuild them.

The Chinese in Canton look upon the English alone as outside savages, and threatened vengeance against them. A special edict had been issued "for their information."

The new ship Howqua, Captain Palmer, arrived at Macao, in ninety days from New York.

The American Frigate Brandywine was at Canton when the P. J. left, and the sloop of war St. Louis on the East Coast of China. Officers and crew were remarkably healthy.

The Vixen Schooner arrived last night from Shanghai and Chusan. She brings intelligence of the occurrence of a severe Typhoon previous to her leaving Chusan, of the total loss of the bark Cornwall, (crew saved) at the mouth of the Yang-tzekeang, and of the Mary Ann Webb's having been dismasted among the Chusan Islands. Some piracies had taken place in the neighborhood of Shanghai, which were interfering in some degree with business.—Hong Kong Register, Sept. 3.

The death of Wm. A. Lawrence, Esq., who was drowned in the Canton river on the night of the 11th inst., has cast a gloom over the community, of which he was so valued a member, and awakened feelings of deep regret among his numerous friends.—Hong Kong Register, Sept. 24.

American trade with China.—We learn from private letters lately received by a gentleman here, that the merchants of the United States, accustomed to send goods to China, have engaged the whole of the cotton goods adapted for that market that can be manufactured from the 1st of June to the end of October.—Hong Kong Register Sept. 24.

Thomas W. Waldron, Esq., the United States consul and naval agent at Canton, died on the 8th of Sept.

HORRIBLE CATASTROPHE.—mysterious affair took place in Norfolk, on Tuesday last, which resulted in the intentional or accidental death of Miss Sarah Broughton, a young girl about thirteen years of age, a niece of Mrs. Collins, who resided in the vicinity of Fort Barbour. Mrs. Collins and her niece called in at the residence of Mr. Harrison, whilst on a visit to Norfolk, whose wife is a relative of Mrs. Collins. They found Harrison and his wife at dinner; and while at the table, Harrison, (who appeared to be much excited) drew a pistol and said something about the intrusion of cats upon his premises, and threatening to shoot them.

He then cocked the pistol, which in a few moments more was fired, and the ball took effect upon Sarah, just below the left eyebrow, passing entirely through the head, and causing almost instant death. Harrison went immediately to the Mayor and delivered himself up, declaring that the affair was entirely accidental. The coroner's inquest, however, found the following verdict: "That deceased came to her death by the intended discharge of a pistol held by William Harrison, while in a room in his own house." The Norfolk Herald, which gives the above account, regards it as a mysterious affair, and says that Harrison was formerly one of the Borough watchmen. His wife is said to be an excellent woman, and ill treated by her husband. She manifested the most sincere and touching grief on the dreadful occasion.

Massachusetts and Louisiana.—The Governor of Louisiana transmitted to the Legislature of that State on the 9th inst., a message in relation to the appointment, on the part of Massachusetts, of an agent to inspect and control the operation of a state law prohibiting the entrance of free negroes within the limits of Louisiana.—The message was accompanied by the Massachusetts law, together with a report of the action of the South Carolina Legislature on the same subject. It contains some very strong remarks on the propriety of one state interfering with the internal laws of another, and covers certain communications from Mr. Hubbard, the agent of Massachusetts. Committees were appointed by both Houses to take into consideration the matter of the message and accompanying documents. In the House a preamble and bill were presented, which, with the message of the Governor, were referred to the Joint Judiciary Committee of the two branches. Similar action was had in the Senate.

MURDER IN BIRMINGHAM.—A homicide of the most terrible character was committed in Birmingham on Monday, about noon. A hand engaged in bottle blowing, at Ihmen's factory, became angry at a young German, aged about 18 years, for breaking a bottle, and struck him first with his fist and afterwards with an iron bar. The young man, we are informed, is dead, and the man who killed him is under arrest.—These are all the particulars we have heard.—[Pittsburg Chronicle.]

Correspondence of the N. Y. Express.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21, 1845.

The Supreme Court of the United States to-day decided that the Collector of the port had no right to retain the public moneys in his possession to await the result of suits at law. The Court made the decision under an act of Congress passed in 1839, which authority was more strongly enforced in an act of Congress in March, 1844. The opinion was most strongly enforced that no state of circumstances would allow the Collector to retain the money. It was said that duties must be paid over to the Secretary of the Treasury, whether paid under protest or not. All claims for overpaid revenue and for abatement of revenue must be made upon the Secretary of the Treasury. The opinion was read by Judge Daniels, and was very long, and entered minutely into the merits of the whole question.

Annexation of Charlestown to Boston. We understand that it is in contemplation to call a town meeting, to consider the subject of annexing this town to the City of Boston, and of petitioning the Legislature in relation to that matter. The meeting, we presume, will be held at an early day.—Bunker Hill Aurora.

SANTA FE TRADE.—We learn from a letter written by Col. Owens of Independence, in this State, that the total amount of gold and silver received from Santa Fe in 1843, was \$425,000; in 1844 \$375,000; estimated amount for 1845, \$500,000.—St. Louis Republican, Jan. 11.

Fire at Hampden and loss of lives.—The fire referred to in a part of our edition yesterday morning was in Hampden, on the Augusta road. It was in the dwelling of Mr. Chester Wells, which was consumed. Our correspondent states that a boy, eight years of age, and a girl of the age of fifteen, were consumed in the flames. Another son and daughter escaped by leaping from the chamber window—the daughter badly burned. Mr. Wells and wife barely escaped with their lives, without sufficient clothing to protect them from the cold. The whole stock of provisions, and all their clothing and furniture was burned, and they are entirely destitute.—Bangor Whig of Friday.

Lamentable Accident.—Mr. James Lewis, aged about 40 years, lost his life in the following melancholy manner on Thursday last, at the residence of his brother in Hampden, near the Colchester line. He went to the well in the morning for the purpose of drawing a pail of water, and being missed some ten or fifteen minutes after, the family went out to ascertain the cause of his absence, when he was discovered in the well.—He was got out immediately, but was found to be quite dead. There was considerable ice round the well, and it is supposed that while drawing the water he slipped on the ice, lost his balance, and he was precipitated, head first, into the well.

This accident is considered more deplorable from the fact that Mr. Lewis was married but the day before. It is somewhat remarkable that this is the fourth of the family killed by accident.

Delaware Express.

THE WARREN TRAGEDY.—The public will be interested to learn, seems now likely to be fully revealed. The trial of Peter Parke, indicted as one of the actors in the wholesale butchery, terminated at Belvidere on Friday in a verdict of Guilty. The case was committed after a long and patient investigation and full argument, in a clear and able charge by Judge Nevins, and the jury was only out about five hours. The verdict is, we hear, in perfect accordance with public sentiment in Warren County. Thus two of the murderers, Joseph Carter, Jr. and Peter Parke, his cousin, are identified and stand committed. Abner Parke, either the father or the uncle of Peter, was tried immediately before on one indictment, and acquitted by the Jury, though circumstances were strongly against him, in consequence of an alibi insisted on by some witnesses—his daughters, we believe—from his own family. Since that acquittal, farther testimony has been obtained, and he has been brought up and charged under one of the other indictments—for fortunately the Grand Jury found an indictment for each of the four persons murdered; so that it is believed his participation in the dreadful tragedy will yet be fully established. He will be tried at the February term—some three weeks hence.—Newark Daily Ad.

Brighton Market, Monday, Jan. 20. Reported for the Boston Daily Advertiser.

At Market, 500 Beef Cattle, 775 Sheep, and 250 Swine.
PRICES.—Beef Cattle.—We quote to correspond with last week—Extra \$5 a 25; first quality \$4 75 a 5; second quality \$4 25 a 4 50; third quality \$4 a 4 25.
Sheep.—common Sheep from 1 75 to 2 25; Wethers from 2 25 to 3 50.
Swine.—One small lot to peddle, 3 and 4c. At retail, 4 and 5c.

Weekly Almanac.

1845.	Sun	Sun	Moon	High
JANUARY	rises	sets	rises	Water
25 Saturday,	7 11	4 49	35 9	27
26 Sunday,	7 10	4 50	40 10	13
27 Monday,	7 9	4 51	45 10	59
28 Tuesday,	7 8	4 52	50 11	29
29 Wednesday,	7 7	4 53	55 11	29
30 Thursday,	7 6	4 54	0 0	47
31 Friday,	7 5	4 55	1 1	30

Moon last q. 30th 8h 55m afternoon.

Peters' MEDICATED LOZENGES.—In presenting to your notice the various medicated compounds made up by this well known physician, we have to mention only his cough Lozenges, for the relief of Pulmonary Affections; Cordial Lozenges, for the speedy and sure relief of nervous or sick Headache; Cathartic or Health Lozenges, where a mild appetite is needed, &c. &c., as occupying a high place in the public estimation. Beware of Counterfeiters.
For Sale at No. 142 Thames Street by CHARLES N. TILLEY, Agent, Newport R. I.

Temperance Notice.
AT A Lecture on the subject of Temperance will be delivered before the Young Men's Temperance Society, at the Town Hall, THIS EVENING, Jan. 25th, by GEORGE FURNER, Esq., commencing at half past 6 o'clock.
The public are respectfully invited to attend.
Jan. 25.

Political Notice.
An adjourned meeting of the Young Men's Democratic Association will be held at their Association Room over the Mercury Office, THIS EVENING, the 25th inst., at 7 o'clock.—A punctual attendance is requested, as business of importance will come before the Association. SAMUEL I. CARR, Sec'y.
Newport, Jan. 25, 1845.

NOTICE.
IT The subject of to-morrow evening's lecture in the Unitarian Church (at 6 1/2 o'clock) will be—The Popes of the XIIIth century.

MARRIED.
In Providence, on the 16th inst, Dr. Nathaniel S. Tyler and Harriet A., daughter of Wm. A. Howard, Esq. all of that city.

DIED.
In this town, yesterday morning, James Everett, late of the U. S. Army, a native of Charlestown, N. H. aged 34 years.
In Providence on the 18th inst, Mrs. Elizabeth Page, widow of the late Capt. William Page, aged 84 years and 10 months.—Same daughter of Mr. John Marsh, formerly of this town, aged 18 years.
In East Greenwich, on Monday last, Mr. Stephen R. Bryant, aged 65 years.
In Avon, Mass. Mrs. Rachel Eddy, aged 104 years and 9 days.
In Norwich 18th inst, Mr. Lewis H. Robinson, a member of the I. O. of O. F.

Marine List.
Port of Newport.
ARRIVED.
SATURDAY, January 15.
Sch'r Cora, Andrews, fm Thomaston for New York.
Sloop Rienzi, Durfee, fm Providence for New York.
SUNDAY, January 19.
Sch'r Senate, Miller, fm Philadelphia for Providence.
Sloops Portsmouth, Allen, fm New York for Providence; Hope, Browning, fm do for do.
MONDAY, January 20.
Bark Solomon Salter, Peterson, 22 days fm Baltimore for Fall River.
Brig Julia & Helion, Amory, fm Fall River for Wilmington.
Sch'r Althors Cornelius, Grand, fm York River for Fall River.
TUESDAY, January 21.
Bark Nicholas Brown, Andrews, fm Apalachicola for Providence.
Brig George W. Gifford, Comery, fm New Orleans for Providence; Columbia, Randall, fm Georgetown for New Bedford.
Sch'r Canton, Cobb, fm Tasinton for Baltimore.
WEDNESDAY, January 22.
Sch'r Jane, Rogers, fm New York for Providence; Erin, Gardner, fm Norfolk for do.
Sloop Convey, Conklin, fm Cold Spring for Providence; Monitor, Cummings, fm Bridgeport for Fall River; Amity, Crowell, fm New York for Wareham; Missouri, Holt, fm do for Providence.
Rev. Cutlers Ewing and Spencer, from a cruise.
Sloop Vigilant, Heath, fm New York for Providence.
THURSDAY, January 23.
Sch'r Eliza Ellen, Drinkwater, fm Portland for New York; Delaware, Holbrook, fm Thomaston for do; Wm. Thompson, Pierce, fm Fall River for Richmond.
FRIDAY, January 24.
Pilot Boat Hiram, of Edgarton, fm a cruise. Passed up this morning, a bark, loaded with cotton.

Marine Memoranda.
Ship St. Lawrence, Chaso, cl'd at New Orleans 6th for Liverpool.
Ship Eben Preble, Perkins, arr at Gibraltar Jan. 1st, from Trieste, and sd for Philadelphia.
Sch'r Hannah, (3 masts) Woodman, arr at Gibraltar Nov. 25th from New Orleans via Marseille.
Sch'r Export, Swasey, arr at Charleston 13th, from Wilmington, N. C.
Sch'r Engineer, Whitten, hence, arr at Norfolk, 11th.
Sloop Herald, Burdick, hence via Key West, arr at Mobile 5th.
At Charleston, 13th inst, sch'r Cora, Read, from this port.
Sloop Rienzi, Durfee, arr at N. York, 22d.
Spoken Jan. 6th no lat &c., (by the Tarry not, at New Orleans,) sch'r Warsaw, Burdick, fm Attakapas for Charleston.
Arr at Charleston 18th, sloop Alert, Draper, fm Barcoak.
Sch'r Mobile, Cozzens, arr at New Orleans 11th, from Pensacola.

WHALEERS.
Arr below New Bedford, 20th, ship Roman, Shockey, 140 days from Kamschatka, Sandwich Islands 120, with 3000 bbls wh, 400 do oil, and 26,000 lbs bone. Spoke June 20th 52 N. lon 162 E. Philip Tebb, Webb, of Warren, 1400; in July, off Behring's Island, Lower, Extra, of Fall River, 400.
Arr at New Bedford 22d, ship Lancaster, Barker, New Zealand, Bay of Islands 90 days, Bahia 30 days, with 2000 bbls wh, 700 sp. oil, and 20,000 lbs bone.
Bark Cosack, (of Sippican) procured a new mainmast at Honolulu, for which she paid \$500.
Off Pernambuco, Dec. 29th, ship 'Leo of Nantucket,' probably Wm. LEE, of this port, captain on shore.

Auctions.

Administrator's Sale of REAL ESTATE.

Will be sold at Public Auction, on the premises on the 15th day of February next, at 11 o'clock, a. m., by virtue of authority from the Court of Probate of the town of Newport:—

All the right title and interest which Mary Smith, late of Newport, had at the time of her decease in or to a lot of land and wharf with a dwelling house and stores thereon, situated in said Newport on the West side of Thames street; formerly owned by John C. Scott, dec, and now occupied by Mrs. Seabury as a boarding house. Conditions made known at the time and place of Sale.

CHARLES GYLES, Adm'r.

Newport, Jan. 11.

REAL ESTATE For Sale.

To be sold at Auction on TUESDAY, the 18th day of February next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on the premises, by virtue of a grant of the General Assembly:—

All the right, title and interest of Lydia B. Brown, Abraham T. Brown, and Lucy E. Brown, minor children of Abraham Brown, late of Middletown, dec, in and to a certain tract of land, situated in said Middletown, containing about fifteen acres with an Orchard and a Dwelling house and other buildings thereon. Bounded Northerly partly on the road and partly on land of Pardon Brown, Easterly partly on the road and partly on land of Joseph Weaver and the heirs of Thomas Weaver, dec., Southerly on land of said Joseph Weaver and the heirs of Thomas Weaver, and Westerly on land of the said Pardon Brown.

Also, at the same time and place will be sold at Public Auction all the right, title and interest of Lucy Brown (widow of said Abraham.) William W. Brown, Charles F. Brown, Edward H. Hubbard and Mary B. Hubbard, (heirs at law of said Abraham,) in and to the above described premises.

Conditions at the time and place of sale.

CHARLES T. BROWN.

Attorney for Lucy Brown, Guardian of the above minors, and Attorney for W. W. Brown, E. H. Hubbard, and M. B. Hubbard.

Middletown, Jan. 17, 1845.

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Linnæan Botanic Garden and Nurseries,

FLUSHING, L. I., NEAR NEW YORK.

THE New and unrivalled Descriptive Catalogues of this Establishment, (34th edition,) which have cost over \$500, comprising the great and select collection of Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubby and Plants; Splendid new Dahlias; Bulbous flower roots; Greenhouse Plants and Seeds, with prices greatly reduced, and directions for their culture will be sent gratis to every post paid applicant. The errors in the Catalogues of others, are not right in these, which scientific Horticulturists have pronounced superior to any that has appeared in any country.

Orders per mail, will be executed with despatch, in a superior style, and forwarded as directed.

WILLIAM R. PRINCE, & CO.

Jan. 25.—3w.

Blanchard & Co's Express.

For New York, Providence and Boston.

A PACKAGE & LETTER EXPRESS, will leave Newport for N. York every Tuesday and Friday evening, by steamboat Neptune, and return on Tuesday and Friday morning.

Also, for Providence and Boston, on Tuesday and Friday morning, and return in the evening.

Packages and letters can be left with C. N. Tilley, No. 142 Thames street, and all orders for either of the above places will be promptly attended to. For further information apply to

CHARLES N. TILLEY, Agent.

Jan. 25, 1845.

Public School Notice.

A vacancy having occurred in the situation of Teacher in one of the Primary Public Schools, applicants for said situation will please present themselves for examination before the Committee, on THURSDAY next, Jan. 30, at 2 1/2 p. m., at the Public School House in Mill Street.

WM. GILPIN, Secretary.

Newport, Jan. 24,

TO LET.

THE House in spring street, formerly occupied by David Bowen, possession will be given on the 1st of April next or sooner if desired. For terms apply to

P. P. REMINGTON.

Jan. 11.

NOTICE.

THE subscribers have this day formed a Co-Partnership under the firm of GEORGE BOWEN & CO.

GEORGE BOWEN.

STEPHEN B. CHACE,

Newport, January 1, 1844.

CLERK'S OFFICE.

Court of Probate, Newport, Jan. 14, 1845.

George C. Shaw, presents his petition to the Court of Probate of Newport, praying that he may be appointed administrator on the estate of

DOCTOR JOHN SHAW,

formerly of Newport, who died abroad intestate, with request that notice may be given thereon, that the same may be taken into consideration, at a Court of Probate, to be held at the Town Hall in Newport, on the first Monday in February next, at 9 o'clock, a. m.; all persons interested in said estate are notified to appear at said time and place, and be heard, and this notice to be published three successive weeks in the NEWPORT MERCURY.

B. B. HOWLAND, Probate Clerk.

Agricultural.



CARROTS FOR HORSES.—We were lately told by the proprietor of one of the most extensive livery stables in this city, that he has had an experience of several years in feeding the common yellow carrots to his horses, and that he considers them the most valuable article for winter feed that he has ever used. He considers a peck of carrots and a peck of oats worth more for a horse than a bushel of oats alone, and for horses that are not constantly employed, the carrots alone are far preferable to oats. He would purchase carrots for horses in preference to oats, even if they cost the same by the bushel; the price of carrots, however, is generally about half that of oats. His horses eat the carrots with a far better relish than oats—so much so, that if a peck of each are turned into the manger they will eat all the carrots before they taste the oats. When fed constantly on carrots, a horse will drink scarcely a pail of water in a week. The culture of carrots is recommended to our farmers as worthy of their attention.

Con. Farmer Gaz.

EXPEDITIOUS THRASHING.—Mr. Everly, of Northwicks, made a bet of £5, with Mr. R. Leach, of Blackfordington that he would, within the short space of one hour, in his thrashing machine, thresh one hundred bushels of oats and bind the straw into bundles: the performance was witnessed by almost all the farmers in the neighborhood, and, extraordinary to relate, within forty-seven minutes, Mr. Everly thrashed 133 1-2 bushels and bound the straw into 240 bundles—a fact unparalleled in the annals of agricultural labor.

Exeter Post.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Commissioners' & Administrators' Notice.

THE Subscribers having been appointed by the Court of Probate for the town of Newport, Commissioners to receive and examine the claims against the estate of **CHARLES CASTOFF**, late of Newport, Mariner, deceased, and six months from this date, being allowed by said Court for the creditors to present and prove their respective claims, we will attend at the house of Charles E. Hammett on the last Saturday of October November and December at 2 p. m., for the purpose of deciding on such claims.

CHARLES E. HAMMETT, } Comm'rs.
PETER P. REMINGTON, }
WM. J. HOLT, }

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to **CLARKE BURDICK, Adm'r.** Newport, July 1, 1844.

Commissioners' Notice.

THE Subscribers having been appointed by the Hon. Court of Probate for the town of Portsmouth, Commissioners on the estate of **SOUTHWICK IRISH**, late of said Portsmouth, deceased, represented insolvent, we hereby give notice to the creditors of said estate, that they must present their claims to either of the commissioners within six months from the date hereof; and that we will meet at the house of Joseph Childs on the first Saturday in March next, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of examining and determining on their several claims.

JOSEPH CHILDS, } Commissioners.
JOHN CORV, }
JOHN BOND, }

All persons indebted to said estate, are requested to make immediate payment to **PHIBBE IRISH, Executrix.** Portsmouth, Sept. 9, 1844.

Court of Probate, Little Compton, Dec. 9. THE Subscribers hereby give public notice that they have been appointed joint Executors of the last will and testament of **SANFORD ALMY**, late of Little Compton, dec., and have accepted of said trust, and qualified themselves according to law. They therefore request all the debtors and creditors of said Estate to make settlement with them without delay.

SANFORD ALMY, } Executors.
JOHN E. ALMY, }

Commissioners' & Administrators' Notice.

THE Subscribers having been appointed by the Hon. Court of Probate of the town of Newport, commissioners to receive, examine and allow the claims of the Creditors of the estate of **GILES BARNEY**, late of Newport, & 6 months from this date being allowed by said Court for the creditors to present and prove their claims before said Commissioners, we will attend at the house of Peter P. Remington, on the 2d Saturdays in March, April and May next at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of deciding on such claims as may be presented against said estate.

CLARKE BURDICK, } Comm'rs.
JAMES LAWTON, }
ANDREW WINSLOW, }

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to **PETER P. REMINGTON, Administrator.** Newport, Nov. 9, 1844.

Administrator's Notice.

THE subscriber having been appointed by the Hon. Court of Probate of the town of Newport, administrator on the estate of **GILES BARNEY**, late of Newport, dec., requests all persons having claims against said estate to present them for settlement, and all indebted to make immediate payment to **PETER P. REMINGTON, Adm'r.** Newport, Oct. 12, 1844.

Assignee's Notice.

THE undersigned having received from **WILLIAM A. COGGESHALL, Junr.**, both of the town and county of Newport, Cabinet Makers and partners under the firm of W. A. & D. M. Coggeshall, an assignment of all their property for the benefit of their creditors; those having demands against the said Coggeshall's are requested to present them, and those indebted to make immediate payment to **JONATHAN T. ALMY, Assignee.** Newport, Oct. 1, 1844.

Administrators' Notice.

THE undersigned having been appointed by the Court of Probate of the Town of Newport, administrators on the estate of their father, Audley Clarke late of Newport, dec., hereby request all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment to either of them, and those having demands to present them for settlement.

PELEG CLARKE, } Adm'rs.
WM. A. CLARKE, }
EDWARD CLARKE, }

Administrator's Notice.

THE subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed Administrator on the estate of **FELIX PECKHAM**, late of Middletown, dec., & has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the said estate are requested to present the same for settlement; and all persons indebted to make immediate payment to **ABNER PECKHAM, Administrator.** Middletown, Dec. 20, 1844.

Court of Probate Newport Jan. 6th 1845.

GEORGE ENGS, Executor of the last will and testament of **JOHN DENNIS**, late of Newport, Mariner, dec., presents his account on said estate for allowance. The same is read and received and referred for consideration to a Court of Probate to be held at the Town Hall in Newport, on the first Monday in February next at 9 o'clock, a. m., and it is ordered that notice thereof be published 3 successive weeks in the *Newport Mercury*.

R. B. HOWLAND, Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, Newport, Jan. 6th.

An instrument in writing purporting to be the last will and testament of **POLLY GREALLY**, late of Newport, spinster dec., was presented by Mary Sherman, Executrix therein named, for Probate and for letters testamentary thereon.

The same is read and received and referred for consideration to a Court of Probate to be held at the Town Hall in Newport, on the 1st Monday in February next, at 9 o'clock, a. m., and it is ordered that notice thereof be published 3 successive weeks in the *Newport Mercury*.

B. B. HOWLAND, Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, Little Compton, Jan. 13th

A T this Court an instrument in writing purporting to be the last will and testament of **NATHANIEL TAYLOR**, late of Little Compton, dec., was presented for examination and approval.

It is ORDERED, that the same be received and the consideration of the examination & approval thereof is referred to a Court of Probate to be held at the Town Hall in said Little Compton, on the 2d Monday of February next at 1 o'clock, p. m., and that legal notice of the same be given by publishing a copy of this Order three several times in the *Newport Mercury*, previous to the sitting of said Court, that all persons interested may appear at said time and place and be heard.

By order—witness
OTIS WILBOR, Probate Clerk.

Administrator's Notice.

THE subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been appointed Administrator with the will annexed, on the estate of **ROBERT BROWN**, late of Little Compton, dec., and has accepted of said trust, and qualified himself according to law, he therefore requests all the debtors and creditors of said estate to make settlement with him without delay.

JOHN B. HOWLAND, } Administrator, with the Will annexed.
LITTLE COMPTON, Jan. 18.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND &c.

NEWPORT, sc. —Clerk's Office, Supreme Court.

WHEREAS Margaret Moffet, of the Town and county of Newport wife of William E. Moffet of said Newport, manufacturer, hath this day filed her petition, praying for certain reasons therein, that the bands of marriage between her and the said William may be dissolved—and whereas the said Margaret hath also filed her affidavit that the residence of the said William is to her unknown.

Notice is hereby given to the said William to appear if he shall see fit at our Supreme Court next to be holden at Newport within and for the County of Newport on the first Monday of March 1845, to respond to said Petition.

WM. GILPIN, Clerk.

Superior Seidlitz Powders

AND Seidlitz Water, in bottles, just received and for sale at the Confectionary of **T. STACY JR.**

NEWPORT DYE-HOUSE.

John H. Clegg

SILK, COTTON, and WOOLLEN DYER.

WOULD respectfully inform his friends and the public, that he has taken the Dye House, formerly occupied by J. Viner, situated in Tanner street, where he is prepared to dye and finish at 10 days notice in the best manner, the following articles, viz:

Broadcloths, Silks, Cassimeres, Crapes, Merinos, Sattins, Circassians, Pongees, Bombazines, Hosiery, Gloves, &c. &c.

Also, permanent colors on carpet yarns, merino, circassian, bombazine, and crape dresses; gentlemen's woolen garments, such as dresses, frocks and great coats, suits, vests, and pantaloons—died and pressed without tipping.

He will also clean gentlemen's woolen garments of every description, in a neat style—merino and Cashmere shawls cleaned and whitened, without injury to the border—carpets and woolen table cloths cleaned also.

All articles left at the Dye House in Tanner Street, or the following Agents will receive prompt attention:—Mrs. Ann M. Eddy, next north of the Perry Factory. A. M. Thomas, Wickford, John Hedley, Portsmouth. February 19, 1842.

Newport Bank.

AT a meeting of the Stockholders of the Newport Bank, held Wednesday, January 1st, the following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: William Vernon, Isaiah Crockett, William Stevens, Edward F. Newton, Edward T. Allen, Simon Newton, Jr., Watson T. Sherman.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Directors, William Vernon, Esq. was elected President,

S. CAHOONE, Cashier. Jan. 4.

Bank of Rhode Island.

AT the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Bank of Rhode Island, held January 7th, 1845, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the year ensuing viz:—

S. F. Gardner, James Hammond, N. B. Hammett, W. C. Gibbs, T. C. Dunn, Peleg Clarke, and W. A. Clarke.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors **S. F. Gardner, Esq.** was elected President, **W. A. CLARKE, Cashier.** Jan. 11.

N. E. Commercial Bank.

AT the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the N. E. Commercial Bank, held on **TUESDAY, January 7th, 1845.**—George Hall, Samuel Allen, B. H. Tisdale, George Bowen, Joshua Sayer, Daniel Tisdale, and J. S. Munro, were elected Directors.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Directors, George Bowen was re-elected President, **G. T. WEAVER, Cashier.** Jan. 11.

R. I. UNION BANK.

AT the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the R. I. Union Bank, held at their Banking room on Tuesday, Jan. 7th, 1845. S. T. Northam, George Engs, R. P. Lee, Charles Devens, Samuel Barker, Wm. Sherman, Wm. Littlefield, Wm. C. Cozzens, and R. A. Mason were elected directors for the year ensuing.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Directors, George Engs, Esq. was re-elected President, **BENJ. A. MASON, Cashier.** Jan. 11.

SAVINGS' BANK.

A DIVIDEND was declared THIS DAY, of two per cent. on all sums that have been in for the space of 6 months, and one per cent. on all sums that have been in for the space of 3 months agreeably to the regulations of the Institution, payable on and after Saturday, the 18th inst. **C. GYLES, Treas'r.** Newport, Jan. 17, 1845.

WINTER & Co's

New Descriptive Catalogue of Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, Vines, &c. &c. is just received at No. 142 Thames street, Newport. Persons in want of any kind of Trees, either fruit or ornamental can now have an opportunity to supply themselves with trees of large size for parks, avenues, public houses, &c. &c. and a large quantity of fruit trees, of all kinds, which will be furnished at short notice on application to **CHARLES N. TILLEY,** No. 142 Thames street, Newport, R. I. where catalogues can be had gratis. Newport, Sept. 21, 1844.

Marble and Brown Stone MANUFACTORY

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally that he still continues to carry on the Manufactory of Marble and other Stone at the old stand No. 222, Thames-st., (North end) where he will manufacture Monuments, Tomb and Head Stones of the first quality of Italian and American Marble and Slate, also hearths, and free-stone work of all descriptions.

Also, Soap Stone for lining stoves and Grates all on the most reasonable terms. Orders from any part of the Country faithfully executed.

PHILIP STEVENS. Newport, June 15, 1844.—1yr.

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THAMES STREET,

HAS selected in Boston expressly for this market, a large assortment of English and American Cloths suitable for the Fall trade, consisting of

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A choice selection of Cloths for Pantaloons, consisting of

Cassimeres, & Doe Skins, of all colors and Shades.

Vestings

of the newest style, from the latest importations, and every other article called for from a Tailoring establishment. All who wish to purchase cheap, are invited to give him a call.

MOTTO. "The nimble sixpence is better than the slow Shilling"

He manufactures on the most reasonable terms, every description of

Fashionable Clothing, Coats, Pants, Vests, Cloaks, Sacks, &c., constantly for sale, or will be furnished to order at short notice, and at prices lower than can be purchased in town.

CUTTING particularly attended to. Newport, Sept. 28, 1844.

Vegetable Pulmonary BALSAM, For Coughs, Colds, Consumption, and all diseases of the Throat, Lungs, and Chest.

THE VEGETABLE PULMONARY BALSAM is an old, well tried, and almost universally approved remedy. It has been extensively used for the last 15 or 20 years in almost every city and town in New England, and also very extensively at the South and West. It is recommended and prescribed by many of the most respectable physicians as a safe, convenient, and very efficacious medicine, and acknowledged by thousands, who have for a long time used it, and continue to use and recommend it, to be the most valuable remedy for the above complaints ever offered to the American public.

The proprietors of this article cannot resort to the style of advertising which is often adopted at the present day. They do not wish to deceive the credulous and unsuspecting, but appeal, with confidence to the facts, and experience of a discerning public. There are a few individuals in New England who have not used this preparation themselves, or who have not friends who have used it. Numerous certificates from physicians and others, having for many years been published, it is deemed unnecessary to add any at this time. Be sure to get the genuine. Call for it by its whole name, "Vegetable Pulmonary Balsam," and avoid "Carter's Pulmonary Balsam," and the numerous imitations which have sprung up in consequence of the great celebrity of the true article. See that it is signed Wm. Jan'n Cutler. Prepared by Reed, Wing & Cutler, wholesale druggists 54 Chatham street, Boston, and sold by druggists, apothecaries, and country merchants generally. Price 50 cents.

For sale in Newport, by **R. J. TAYLOR.** Nov. 9, 1844.—6m.

NEW TIN and SHEET IRON WARE Establishment.

THE subscribers have taken the store No. 127 Thames Street, nearly opposite the store of Messrs Finch & Engs, and have entered into co-partnership under the name of **Coggeshall & Bliss,**

for the purpose of manufacturing every description of Tin and Sheet Iron Ware. They will sell on REASONABLE TERMS to suit the times.

They have on hand a lot of plain Japan and Britannia Ware. They also intend keeping on hand an assortment of Sheet and Cast Iron STOVES of the most approved patterns.

N. B. All kinds of Job Work in the above line done to order.

A share of public patronage is solicited with the assurance that no pains will be spared to give satisfaction to all who may favour them with orders in their line of business.

FREEBORN COGGESHALL. **WILLIAM H. BLISS.** Newport, Aug. 10, 1844.—1f.

Smoke House.

JOHN W. DAVIS, No. 100, Thames Street, has in readiness his **SMOKE HOUSE**, for the purpose of smoking HAMS. He will also take Hams to cure, in the best manner. Those who favor him with their custom will please send them as above, and they will be satisfactorily attended to. If any one desires Mr. D. to send for their Hams and return them, he will do so at a small additional expense.

NEW FRUIT. Oranges, Lemons, Cocoanuts, Figs, Prunes, Raisins, Grapes, Sultana Raisins, Apples of every kind, And a great variety of Nuts, just received and for sale at the Confectionary and Variety Store of **T. STACY JR.** Oct. 2.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber respectfully gives notice, that he has taken the Store, corner of Banister's wharf and Thames-street, and directly opposite the Eagle Hotel, where he intends keeping a general assortment of Fruits, Preserves, Jellies, Spices, Catsups, Pickles, Macaroni, Vermacilla, Nuts, bottled and Draft Ale; bottled Cider, Porter & Beer by the dozen or single bottle; bottled and Fountain Soda Water, with or without Syrups, by the doz. or single bottle; Havana and Principe Cigars; Fine Cut Chewing, Turkish and American Smoking Tobacco; Pipes, Bird Cages and Bird Seed; and a variety of other articles too numerous to mention. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited. **T. S. STANHOPE.** Newport, May 18th.—1f.

Marine and Fire Insurance

THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY. Providence, R. I. continue to insure against Loss or Damage by Fire, on Cotton, Woollen, and other Manufactures, Building and Merchandise, and also against MARINE RISKS, on favorable terms.—The capital stock is

\$150,000. All paid in and well invested.—Director elected June 6th, 1842:—

Solomon Townsend, Tully D. Bowen, Nathaniel Bishop, George S. Rathbone, Caleb Harris and Shubael Hatchings, Jabez Bullock, Ebenezer Kelley.

Persons wishing for Insurance are requested to direct their applications (which should be accompanied with a particular description of the property) per mail, to the resident and Secretary of the Company, and the same will meet with prompt attention.

Applications for Insurance may be made in Newport to **GEORGE BOWEN, Agent.** **WILLIAM RHODES, President.** **ALEX. O. PECK, Sec'y.** American Insurance Co's } Office, July 14, 1842.

Flour, Buckwheat, Butter, &c. &c.

THE subscriber has recently returned from New York with an additional supply, added to his former Western purchase, viz:—

Family Flour, Buck W. Flour, Goshen & Western Butter, Cheese by the box & cask, Leaf Lard in small kegs, Spits & Pippin Apples, per bbl. Snelbark Nuts, per bbl or bushel, Damson Plums, by bushel, &c., Fresh Raisins by the box, Fresh Figs in small drums, Brown Sugar, White Beans by the Bushel, &c.

For sale at No. 9, Devens' Wharf, by **HENRY POTTER.** Newport, Nov. 30.

At the Sign of the "Good Samaritan." **NO 92 Thames Street.** **JUST RECEIVED**

From Boston in addition to the former Stock of **Medicine Dye Stuffs and Perfumery,**

Extract of Rose, Do do Orange, Do do Honey, Do do Burgamot, Do do Myrtle, Do do Magnolia, Do do Woodbine, Milk of Roses, Balm of Columbia, Macassar, Buffalo, Bears, & Anique Oil, for the hair, French Lotion for chapped hands, Cold Cream and Lip Salve, German, French & American Cologne, Sir James Murray's Fluid Magnesia, Henry's Calcined Magnesia, English, Winsor, and other soaps, Edes, Kidders, & Paysons Indelible Ink.

ALSO, Medicine Chests, for Families, or Vessels, and a general assortment of Medicine, warranted of the first quality.—For sale as above. **CHARLES COTTON.** Newport Oct. 15, 1842.

FOR SALE. A very pleasantly situated and valuable FARM, laying on the East side of this Island, and 4 1-2 miles from Newport being partly in Middletown and partly in Portsmouth, containing about 110 acres of excellent Land; it is well fenced with stone wall.—The Farm has on it a double two story dwelling house, a good wash room chaise and milk house, crib and grain house, and a large bouble barn; all the above buildings are in good repair—there is also a well of good soft water, and a water grist mill that will rent for \$60 per year, and is in excellent grinding order.—There is also a large full grown greening orchard, and a young orchard; both orchards are in full bearing of fruit.—The Farm will be sold on reasonable terms as to price and credit, and any one wishing to secure an independence for life, will do well to purchase—it is seldom such a Farm is offered for sale on this Island.

ROBINSON POTTER.

NEW FRUIT. Oranges, Lemons, Cocoanuts, Figs, Prunes, Raisins, Grapes, Sultana Raisins, Apples of every kind, And a great variety of Nuts, just received and for sale at the Confectionary and Variety Store of **T. STACY JR.** Oct. 2.

Thiers' Life of Napoleon.

(Complete,) without the slightest abridgment, for one dollar!

CAREY & HART, Philadelphia, having purchased an early copy from the French publishers, will shortly publish

The History of the Consulate and the Empire—By M. A. Thiers,

Author of the "History of the French Revolution."

Translated from the French, with Notes and additions.

This magnificent work, "The Life of Napoleon," on which M. Thiers has been engaged for many years, is at length completed, and is now in the hands of the printer. A company was formed in Paris, who purchased the copyright for 520,000 francs, or One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The Paris edition will form ten large octavo volumes, and will cost about \$15. The American publishers will give a translation of this famous work, simultaneously with its publication in Paris. Each volume of the Paris edition will be comprised in a single number of the American edition, and will be sold for TWELVE AND A HALF CENTS, and a remittance of ONE DOLLAR, (free of postage), will pay for the entire work, in ten numbers, which will contain every word in the Original edition.

Orders to be addressed to **CAREY & HART** Publishers, Philadelphia, enclosing a remittance (free of postage)

Or to the following Agents:—Burgess, Stringer & Co., New York; Redding & Co., Boston; N. Hickman, Baltimore; G. B. Zieber & Co., Philadelphia; Drinker & Morris, Richmond; T. Taylor, Washington; M. Carter & Allen, Charleston, S. C.; S. W. C. Columbia, S. C.; Turner & Hughes, Raleigh, N. C.; M. Boullemet, Mobile; J. B. Steel, J. C. Morgan, or B. M. Norman, New Orleans; W. N. Halderman, Louisville, Ky.; Robinson & Jones, Cincinnati, Ohio; Whiting & Huntington, Columbus, Ohio; H. B. Turner, St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 9.—3w.

TO LET.

The HOUSE owned and formerly occupied by Mrs. Com. Perry, with a large garden, containing a variety of Fruit Trees. The House is in good order, and has every convenience for a large family. Possession given as soon as desired. Also—A three story store on Champlin's Wharf. Apply to **B. A. MASON.** Nov. 2.

Stoves! Cooking Stoves!! A NEW and SUPERIOR pattern for COAL, just received; also, a variety of Parlor and other Stoves, constantly on hand and made to order, for sale low by **COGGESHALL & BLISS.** Newport, Sept. 14, 1844.

TO LET

and possession given immediately.

THE chambers of the House in Mill street, now occupied by the subscriber. For terms enquire of **DAVID M. COGGESHALL.** Newport, Nov. 23, 1844.

House and Land For Sale. THE subscriber wishes to sell her estate in Portsmouth, R. I. viz:—A new and convenient dwelling House and out buildings, and two acres of land beautifully situated about six miles from Newport on the road leading to the Glen, within a few rods of Mrs. Durfee's Tea-House. The House is one story high with six rooms on the floor and well finished throughout, the land and fixtures are in excellent order. Any person wishing to purchase will examine for themselves. The terms will be made easy. **SARAH C. GRINNELL.** Portsmouth June, 8.

TO LET and possession given immediately.

THE lower part of a convenient Dwelling House, with a garden situated in Washington street, being the late residence of Captain Robert Carter, deceased. For terms apply to **THOPHILAS TOPHAM.** Newport, Aug. 31.

TO LET. THE upper part of the House in Thames street, next north of the subscribers residence. For terms apply to **S. T. NORTHAM.** Also, a large School Room, in a very pleasant situation, near the residence of Dr. Cotton.

LUMBER & LIME. 70,000 Shingles, various qualities. 20,000 feet of Eastern Pine Boards and Plank. 10,000 feet Hemlock, do. do. 4,000 Casks of Lime. To close a concern, the above will be sold low, in quantities to suit purchasers. Apply to **JOHN D. NORTHAM.** Nov. 2.—1f.

FOR SALE. At the Shop of the late Andrew Winslow in Broad Street.

A LARGE quantity of Hinges, Gate Hinges, Hay and Manure forks, Iron Hoops, Ox chains, Hay knives, Shovel Tongs, Axes, Hatchets, Bush Stone hammers, Pick-Axes, Corn knives, Drills, Spoon Shovels, Hooks, Gard forks, Chopping knives, Files, Spikes, Saws, Carriage springs, Drawing-knives, Stone sledges, with a variety of other articles all of which will be sold at reduced prices by **ANDREW WINSLOW** WANTED T. SHERMAN, } Newport, July 6.